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JOINT NAVAL EXERCISE
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any joint naval exercise by the Naval Forces of some of countries was held in Andaman and Nicobar during January, 2006;

(b) if so, the number of days during which the said exercise was held and the objectives thereof; and

(c) the details of the countries participated in the above exercise?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

(a) to (c): The Indian Navy hosted an interactive naval meeting "MILAN" from 9th to 14th January, 2006 at Port Blair to promote mutual cooperation and friendly relations between the navies of Australia, Bangladesh, India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Myanmar, Sri Lanka, Singapore and Thailand. A joint naval exercise was also held on 14th January, 2006.